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REQUEST FOR DIVISIONAL APPLICATION

<u>UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)</u>

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Mail Stop: Patent Application

Sir:

This is a request for filing a Divisional application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) of pending prior application Serial No. 10/149,723 filed June 13, 2002.

- [x] Enclosed is a copy of the prior application as originally filed including a copy of the signed Declaration and a copy of the drawings.
- 2. [x] The prior application is assigned to Sony Corporation and the Assignment was recorded on September 4, 2002 at Reel 013320, Frame 0203.
- 3. [x] Priority of Application(s) No.(s) PCT/JP01/09077 filed October 16, 2000, in

Japan is claimed under 35 USC 119.

- [x] The certified copy in support of the claim of priority has been filed in the Prior Application Serial No. 10/149,723 and acknowledgment thereof is requested.
- 4. [] This is an application of a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9(f), and the amounts shown below in parentheses apply.
- b. [x] The filing fee is calculated below:

Claims Appearing in the Prior Application, Less Any Claims Canceled By Amendment Below

	Number Filed		Number Extra		Fee	
Basic Fee						\$770 (\$375)
Total claims Independent claims.		0 = 3 =	x x	•	(\$ 9) (\$43)	

Total Filing Fee.....\$ 770.00

- 5. [x] The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Account No. 03-3125. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- 6. [x] A check in the amount of \$770.00 is enclosed.
- 7. [x] Amend claims 21-24.
- 8. [x] Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
 --This is a division of prior application.
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- 9. [x] Incorporation by Reference: The entire

disclosure of the prior application identified above is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

- 10. [x] The power of attorney in the prior application is to Jay H. Maioli, Reg. No. 27,213, Cooper & Dunham LLP, 1185 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10036.
- a. [x] The power appears in the prior application.
- b. [x] Address all future communications to: Jay H. Maioli, Cooper & Dunham LLP, 1185 Avenue of the Americas New York, NY 10036.
- 11. [x] A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.

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I hereby certify that this Application is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and addressed to the Mail Stop Patent Application, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313.

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